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House of Representatives
State Capitol
Baton Rouge, Louisiana

Monday, March 20, 2000

The House of Representatives was called to order at 4:00 P.M., by the Honorable Charlie DeWitt, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Morning Hour

ROLL CALL

The roll being called, the following members answered to their names:

PRESENT

Mr. Speaker	Glover	Pinac
Alario	Green	Pitre
Alexander, E	Guillory	Powell
Alexander, R	Hammett	Pratt
Ansardi	Heaton	Quezaire
Baudoin	Hebert	Richmond
Baylor	Hill	Riddle
Bowler	Holden	Romero
Broome	Hopkins	Salter
Bruce	Hudson	Scalise
Bruneau	Hunter	Schneider
Carter, K	Iles	Schwegmann
Carter, R	Jackson, L	Shaw
Cazayoux	Jackson, M	Smith, G.—56th
Clarkson	Johns	Smith, J.D.—50th
Crane	Katz	Smith, J.H.—8th
Crowe	Kennard	Smith, J.R.—30th
Curtis	Kenney	Sneed
Damico	LaFleur	Stelly
Daniel	Lancaster	Strain
Dartez	Landrieu	Thompson
Devillier	LeBlanc	Toomy
Diez	Lucas	Townsend
Doerge	Martiny	Travis
Donelon	McCallum	Triche
Downer	McDonald	Waddell
Dupre	McMains	Walsworth
Durand	Montgomery	Warner
Erdey	Morrell	Welch

Farrar	Morrish	Wilkerson
Faucheux	Murray	Willard
Flavin	Nevers	Windhorst
Frith	Odinet	Winston
Fruge	Perkins	Wooton
Futrell	Pierre	Wright
Total—105		

ABSENT

Total—0

The Speaker announced that there were 105 members present and a quorum.

Prayer

Prayer was offered by Reverend Albert White.

Pledge of Allegiance

Rep. Wright led the House in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America.

Reading of the Journal

On motion of Rep. Walsworth, the reading of the Journal was dispensed with.

On motion of Rep. Walsworth, the Journal of March 19, 2000, was adopted.

Oath of Office

Mr. Glover presented himself before the bar of the House and took the following oath:

"I, Cedric Glover, do solemnly swear that I will support the constitution and laws of the United States and the constitution and laws of this state and that I will faithfully and impartially discharge and perform all the duties incumbent upon me as a member of the House of Representatives according to the best of my ability and understanding, so help me God."

Petitions, Memorials and Communications

The following petitions, memorials, and communications were received and read:

Privileged Report of the Committee on Enrollment

March 20, 2000

To the honorable Speaker and Members of the House of Representatives:

I am directed by your Committee on Enrollment to submit the following report:

The following House Resolutions have been properly enrolled:

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 1—
BY REPRESENTATIVE DOWNER

A RESOLUTION

To commend and honor the Seventh United States Infantry Regiment and to recognize its valorous contributions to Louisiana and to the United States of America.

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 2—
BY REPRESENTATIVE MURRAY

A RESOLUTION

To express the heartfelt condolences of the House of Representatives upon the death of Charles D'Amico Dangerfield.

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HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 3—

BY REPRESENTATIVES RIDDLE AND DEWITT

A RESOLUTION

To express the condolences of the Louisiana House of Representatives upon the death of Buford Smith of Effie and to recognize and record his distinguished career and his many contributions to his community, state, and country.

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 4—

BY REPRESENTATIVE SCHNEIDER

A RESOLUTION

To express the sincere and heartfelt condolences of the House of Representatives of the Louisiana Legislature upon the death of Kathryn Sunstrom and to record for posterity the enduring appreciation of the members for her lifetime of contributions to her family and community.

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 5—

BY REPRESENTATIVES CURTIS, BAYLOR, BROOME, K. CARTER, GLOVER, GREEN, GUILLORY, HOLDEN, HUDSON, HUNTER, L. JACKSON, M. JACKSON, LUCAS, MORRELL, MURRAY, PIERRE, PRATT, QUEZAIRE, RICHMOND, WELCH, WILKERSON, AND WILLARD AND SENATORS BAOJIE, BOISSIERE, CRAVINS, C. FIELDS, W. FIELDS, IRONS, JOHNSON, C. JONES, AND TARVER

A RESOLUTION

To celebrate the life of Oscar James Dunn who was born in slavery and became Lieutenant Governor, and to commend his noble contributions to the state, its people, and its future.

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 6—

BY REPRESENTATIVE JOHN SMITH

A RESOLUTION

To commend and congratulate the players, coaches, and managerial staff of the Anacoco High School Lady Indians basketball team upon winning the state championship.

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 7—

BY REPRESENTATIVE WINDHORST

A RESOLUTION

To commend and congratulate the Archbishop Shaw High School cheerleaders upon winning the National Cheerleading Championship.

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 8—

BY REPRESENTATIVE PERKINS

A RESOLUTION

To express the sincere condolences of the House of Representatives upon the tragic and untimely death of Angela Marie Westbrook and to recognize the solemn adoption promise her stepfather made to her before her death.

Respectfully submitted,

DONALD RAY KENNARD
Chairman

The above House Resolutions contained in the report were signed by the Speaker of the House and taken by the Clerk of the House to the Secretary of State in accordance with the rules of the House.

Introduction of Resolutions

The following members introduced the following entitled House and House Concurrent Resolutions, which were read the first time by their titles and placed upon the calendar for their second reading:

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 9—

BY REPRESENTATIVE BRUNEAU

A RESOLUTION

To adopt House Rule 2.10(D)(9) of the Rules of Order of the House of Representatives to provide for the duties of the Clerk of the House of Representatives.

Read by title.

Lies over under the rules.

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 18—

BY REPRESENTATIVES BRUNEAU, DEWITT, HOPKINS, WADDELL, ALARIO, E. ALEXANDER, R. ALEXANDER, ANSARDI, BAUDOIN, BAYLOR, BOWLER, BROOME, BRUCE, K. CARTER, R. CARTER, CAZAYOUX, CLARKSON, CRANE, CROWE, CURTIS, DAMICO, DANIEL, DARTEZ, DEVILLIER, DIEZ, DOERGE, DONELON, DOWNER, DUPRE, DURAND, ERDEY, FARRAR, FAUCHEUX, FLAVIN, FRITH, FRUGE, FUTRELL, GLOVER, GREEN, GUILLORY, HAMMETT, HEATON, HEBERT, HILL, HOLDEN, HUDSON, HUNTER, ILES, M. JACKSON, L. JACKSON, JOHNS, KATZ, KENNARD, KENNEY, LAFLEUR, LANCASTER, LANDRIEU, LEBLANC, LUCAS, MARTINY, MCCALLUM, McDONALD, MCMAINS, MONTGOMERY, MORRELL, MORRISH, MURRAY, NEVERS, ODINET, PERKINS, PIERRE, PINAC, PITRE, POWELL, PRATT, QUEZAIRE, RICHMOND, RIDDLE, ROMERO, SALTER, SCALISE, SCHNEIDER, SCHWEGMANN, SHAW, GARY SMITH, JACK SMITH, JANE SMITH, JOHN SMITH, SNEED, STELLY, STRAIN, THOMPSON, TOOMY, TOWNSEND, TRAVIS, TRICHE, WALSWORTH, WARNER, WELCH, WILKERSON, WILLARD, WINDHORST, WINSTON, WOOTON, AND WRIGHT AND SENATOR HAINKEL

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To express the sincere and heartfelt condolences of the legislature upon the death of Arthur W. Sour, Jr. and to record for posterity the enduring appreciation of the citizens of Louisiana for the singular contributions and achievements of Mr. Sour, particularly during his nineteen-year tenure as a distinguished member of the House of Representatives of the Legislature of Louisiana.

Read by title.

On motion of Rep. Bruneau, and under a suspension of the rules, the resolution was adopted.

Ordered to the Senate.

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 19—

BY REPRESENTATIVES BRUNEAU, DOWNER, DEWITT AND SENATOR HAINKEL

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To commend Brian Crowe upon his receipt of the John Bragg Award for Excellence in Legislative Services at the 1999 Southern Legislative Conference in Kansas City, Missouri, and to express the appreciation of the legislature for his distinguished contributions to the Legislative Fiscal Office and to the state of Louisiana.

Read by title.

On motion of Rep. Bruneau, and under a suspension of the rules, the resolution was adopted.

Ordered to the Senate.

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 20—

BY REPRESENTATIVE BRUNEAU

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To express the tribute of the Louisiana Legislature to the Honorable William H. Bymes III of the Fourth Circuit Court of Appeal for his tireless efforts on behalf of people with mental illness and addictions through his oversight of The Abstract Book Shop and Cafe, also known as Last Hope Recovery, in New Orleans.

Read by title.

On motion of Rep. Bruneau, and under a suspension of the rules, the resolution was adopted.

Ordered to the Senate.

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 21—

BY REPRESENTATIVES DEWITT, BRUNEAU, AND PIERRE

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To acknowledge April 1, 2000, as Census Day and to encourage Louisianians to participate in Census 2000.

Read by title.

On motion of Rep. Bruneau, and under a suspension of the rules, the resolution was adopted.

Ordered to the Senate.

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 22—

BY REPRESENTATIVE FLAVIN

A RESOLUTION

To express condolences of the legislature upon the death of Terry L. Cox of Sweetlake.

Read by title.

On motion of Rep. Flavin, and under a suspension of the rules, the resolution was adopted.

Ordered to the Senate.

**House and House Concurrent Resolutions
Lying Over**

The following House and House Concurrent Resolutions lying over were taken up and acted upon as follows:

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 1—

BY REPRESENTATIVE SALTER AND SENATOR SMITH

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To prohibit the Office of Elderly Affairs from making certain planning and service area changes and federal funding distribution changes relative to the Older Americans Act.

Read by title.

Under the rules, the above resolution was referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 2—

BY REPRESENTATIVE SALTER

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To declare the Sabine Free State Festival as the official site of the state barbeque championship.

Read by title.

On motion of Rep. Salter, and under a suspension of the rules, the resolution was adopted.

Ordered to the Senate.

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 4—

BY REPRESENTATIVE DOWNER

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To urge congress to obtain an apology from the government of Japan for crimes against prisoners of war during World War II.

Read by title.

Under the rules, the above resolution was referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 10—

BY REPRESENTATIVE CURTIS

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To urge and request the Louisiana Student Financial Assistance Commission, in consultation with the Board of Regents and the public postsecondary education management boards, to study issues related to permitting certain students to qualify for an Opportunity Award under the Tuition Opportunity Program for Students based on student performance as a college freshman, including but not limited to issues of equity in providing the benefits of this financial assistance program to Louisiana students from all walks of life who demonstrate the ability to be successful in postsecondary education and issues of financial cost and benefit to the state associated with expanding the program for such students, and to report study findings and recommendations in writing to the House Committee on Education, the House Committee on Appropriations, the Senate Committee on Education, and the Senate Committee on Finance by not later than February 1, 2001.

Read by title.

Under the rules, the above resolution was referred to the Committee on Education.

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 12—

BY REPRESENTATIVE RIDDLE

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To urge and request the Department of Transportation and Development to name that portion of Louisiana Highway 1 lying within the city limits of Marksville, Louisiana, Avoyelles Parish, as the Blue Star Memorial Highway in honor of the citizens of Marksville who have served in the armed forces of the United States.

Read by title.

Under the rules, the above resolution was referred to the Committee on Transportation, Highways and Public Works.

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 13—

BY REPRESENTATIVE JOHN SMITH

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To memorialize congress to repeal the two federal Social Security provisions known as the Government Pension Offset and the Windfall Elimination Provision, and thereby prevent the reduction of Social Security benefits received by beneficiaries who also receive "uncovered" government retirement benefits earned through work for a state or local government employer.

Read by title.

Under the rules, the above resolution was referred to the Committee on Retirement.

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 14—

BY REPRESENTATIVE JOHN SMITH

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To memorialize the United States Congress to correct any disparate tax treatment of independently contracted school bus operators by enacting legislation to cause a return to the pre-1989 policy of treating such operators as hybrid employees.

Read by title.

Under the rules, the above resolution was referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

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HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 15—

BY REPRESENTATIVE BROOME

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To memorialize the United States Congress to amend Title X of the United States Code, relating to the compensation of retired military personnel, to permit concurrent receipt of retired military longevity pay and Veterans Administration disability compensation, including dependents allowances.

Read by title.

Under the rules, the above resolution was referred to the Committee on Retirement.

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 17—

BY REPRESENTATIVE DUPRE

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To memorialize the United States Congress to provide for credit towards the nonfederal share in the Water Resources Development Act of 2000, for the cost of any work performed by the nonfederal interests for interim flood protection that is determined to be compatible and an integral part of the Morganza to the Gulf of Mexico Hurricane Protection Project, and to allow the remaining portion of the nonfederal share to be paid over a period of time not to exceed thirty years.

Read by title.

Under the rules, the above resolution was referred to the Committee on Natural Resources.

Senate Concurrent Resolutions Lying Over

The following Senate Concurrent Resolutions lying over were taken up and acted upon as follows:

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 2—

BY SENATOR HAINKEL

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To designate April 23-29, 2000 as "Civility Week in Louisiana".

Read by title.

On motion of Rep. Bruneau, and under a suspension of the rules, the resolution was concurred in.

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 3—

BY SENATOR THEUNISSEN

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To recognize and designate the third Friday of every September as "Legislators Back to School Day".

Read by title.

On motion of Rep. Morrish, and under a suspension of the rules, the resolution was concurred in.

Speaker Pro Tempore Bruneau in the Chair

House Bills on Second Reading to be Referred to Committee

The following House Bills and Joint Resolutions on second reading to be referred to committees were taken up, read, and referred to committees, as follows:

HOUSE BILL NO. 175—

BY REPRESENTATIVE HAMMETT

AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 17:3048.1(T), relative to eligibility qualifications for awards pursuant to the Tuition Opportunity Program for Students for students graduating from Louisiana nonpublic schools that are approved by the State Board of Elementary and Secondary Education; to provide that beginning with the 2002-2003 school year and thereafter the nonpublic school from which the student graduates also shall meet certain other standards; to provide for establishing such standards; to provide for an effective date; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

Under the rules, the above bill was referred to the Committee on Education.

HOUSE BILL NO. 176—

BY REPRESENTATIVES DEWITT, MCMAINS, AND TRAVIS AND
SENATORS DARDENNE, HAINKEL, AND HOLLIS

AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 3:559.3(B)(4), R.S. 4:61(A), 143(2) and (3), 144(A), 161(B), and 161.2(B), R.S. 6:101(A) and 966(J)(4)(f), R.S. 8:61(A), R.S. 9:2341(E)(4) and 3574.2(4), R.S. 11:502.2(A)(2), R.S. 12:953(8), R.S. 15:587(A)(1)(a), R.S. 17:3128.1(C), 3389(B)(4) and (8), 3396.4(A)(12), and 3932(A)(2), R.S. 23:73(E)(2), 2043(A)(3), 2051(B), and 2064(A), R.S. 24:802(B)(5), R.S. 25:900(C)(1), R.S. 27:323(B)(introductory paragraph), R.S. 30:142(D)(5)(c), 2005(E), 2062(C)(5), and 2308(4), R.S. 32:772(A)(1) and 1253(A)(introductory paragraph), R.S. 33:130.19(I) and 4708(B)(3), R.S. 34:3405(B) and 3474(B)(1)(b), R.S. 36:309(D), 409(D), 801(introductory paragraph), 801.1(A), 802(introductory paragraph), 803(A), 908, and 957, R.S. 37:74(A), 142, 493(A)(1), 1361(B), 1432(A), 1474(A), 1782(1), 2151(A)(introductory paragraph), 2303(A)(1), 2551(A), 2835(A)(1), 3103(A)(6), 3111(A), 3173(A)(1), and 3394(A), R.S. 38:2216(C)(1), (D)(1) and (3), and (F), and 2233.3(C), R.S. 39:33(A)(2), 112(A)(3)(a)(i), 291(C)(5)(a)(ii), 1734, 1736, and 1953(A), R.S. 40:2745(B)(9), R.S. 43:31(B)(2) and 111(A)(8), R.S. 45:1163.2(E), R.S. 46:231.12(A)(introductory paragraph), 812(A)(3), 813.1(B)(3), and 1443(A)(introductory paragraph), R.S. 47:318(B)(2)(introductory paragraph) and (D), 1123(2), (6), and (9), 1125, 1128, 3202(A)(5) and (B), 3203, 3204(A), (C), and (G), 3205, 4302(A), 4303, 4306, 4313(A)(2), 4314(A), (B)(4), and (C), 4315(A)(1) and (B), and 4319, R.S. 48:82(B)(1)(b), 1403, 2053(A)(1)(introductory paragraph), and 2055, R.S. 49:229.1(B)(1) and 1053(C)(8), R.S. 51:922(1), 923(A) and (C), 924(A), 929, 930, 932, 936.1(A), 936.1(C)(introductory paragraph), (D), and (E), 937, 938, 940, 961(A) and (B)(1) and (2), 1103(3), 1142(B), 1143(introductory paragraph), 1146, 1256(B)(introductory paragraph), 1259(9), 1318(B)(introductory paragraph), 1782, 1783(3), 1786(4), 1787(A)(1), 1787(C)(introductory paragraph), (C)(1), and (G), 1923(3) and (7), 1924(G), 1927.1(B), 2141(C)(2), 2205(C)(3)(c), 2321(A), 2322(2), 2332(2) and (6), 2333, 2335(B), 2336(2), 2337, 2377(A), 2378(A), 2379(A)(3), 2381(A), 2382, 2383(A)(2) and (B)(3), 2388(5), 2402(A), 2452(A)(3), 2453(1)(b), (2), (3), (4), (9)(a)(introductory paragraph), (9)(a)(iii) and (v), and (9)(b), 2455(A), (D), (E)(2), (G), and (H), 2459, and 2461, and the title to Chapter 3 of Title 51 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, to enact R.S. 11:502.2(A)(3), R.S. 13:3238, R.S. 36:4(E), (H), (I), and (V), 209(R), 309(I), 409(P), and 459(H), and Chapter 48 of Title 51 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, to be comprised of R.S. 51:3025 through 3043, and to repeal R.S. 12:492(E), Chapter 4-A of Title 25 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, comprised of R.S. 25:315 through 317, Chapter 3 of Title 36 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, comprised of R.S. 36:101 through 109, R.S. 46:231.12(A)(6) and

1443(A)(11), R.S. 48:2053(A)(1)(p), R.S. 49: 191(11)(a) and 968(B)(1), R.S. 51:935, 936, 936.2, Part VII of Chapter 3 of Title 51 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, R.S. 51:981 through 984, R.S. 51:1157.1, 1157.2, 1318(B)(4), 1256(B)(1)(c), Chapter 12 of Title 51 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, comprised of R.S. 51:1361 through 1368, Chapter 20 of Title 51 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, comprised of R.S. 51:1751 through 1766, Chapter 32 of Title 51 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, comprised of R.S. 51:2131 through 2134, Part II of Chapter 39 of Title 51 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, comprised of R.S. 51:2311 through 2320.3 and 2323 and 2334, and Part V of Chapter 39 of Title 51 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, comprised of R.S. 51:2341 through 2345, relative to economic development; to create Louisiana, Inc. as the central source principal economic development organization of the state; to provide for the membership, powers, duties, functions, obligations, and responsibilities of Louisiana, Inc. and its board of directors; to provide for the composition of the board of directors of the corporation; to provide for the applicability or exemption of certain laws as to the corporation; to provide for legislative oversight and funding; to abolish the Department of Economic Development and transfer certain functions of the department and other agencies within the department to Louisiana, Inc.; to transfer certain boards and commissions to other state departments; to provide for venue in suits against the corporation; to provide for an effective date; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

Under the rules, the above bill was referred to the Committee on Commerce.

HOUSE BILL NO. 177—

BY REPRESENTATIVE DANIEL

A JOINT RESOLUTION

Proposing to amend Article VII, Section 10(F) and to add Article VII, Section 10(D)(3) and (K) of the Constitution of Louisiana, relative to the expenditure of state funds; to authorize the reduction of certain mandatory expenditures, appropriations, and allocations from the state general fund and dedicated funds under certain circumstances; to authorize limited redirection of funds supporting appropriations or allocations from the state general fund and dedicated funds, including those constitutionally protected or mandated, for other nonmandatory uses under certain circumstances; to prohibit reduction of appropriations for institutions of higher education except in certain circumstances; to authorize the legislature to provide for implementation; to provide for submission of the proposed amendment to the electors; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

Under the rules, the above bill was referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

HOUSE BILL NO. 178—

BY REPRESENTATIVE DANIEL

AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 39:75(C)(1) and (D) and to enact R.S. 39:75(E), relative to the expenditure of state funds and budgetary procedure; to provide a limit on certain reductions in appropriations from the state general fund; to provide for procedures for reductions in certain appropriations; to require legislative approval of certain gubernatorial budget reductions; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

Under the rules, the above bill was referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

HOUSE BILL NO. 179—

BY REPRESENTATIVE DANIEL

A JOINT RESOLUTION

Proposing to amend Article VII, Section 10(F) and to add Article VII, Section 10(K) of the Constitution of Louisiana, relative to the expenditure of state funds; to authorize the reduction of certain mandatory expenditures, appropriations, and allocations from the state general fund and dedicated funds under certain circumstances; to authorize limited redirection of funds supporting appropriations or allocations from the state general fund and dedicated funds, including those constitutionally protected or mandated, for other nonmandatory uses under certain circumstances; to authorize the legislature to provide for implementation; to provide for submission of the proposed amendment to the electors; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

Under the rules, the above bill was referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

HOUSE BILL NO. 180—

BY REPRESENTATIVES DEWITT AND MCMAINS AND SENATORS HAINKEL AND DARDENNE

AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 17:3141.2(5), 3141.3(F), 3141.4(C) (introductory paragraph), (4), and (11), and (D)(1), 3141.5(A)(1), (B), (C)(1) and (2), (D), (E), and (G), 3141.8(D)(4) and (E), 3141.9(B)(1), (3), and (4), and (C), and 3141.16(F) and to enact R.S. 17:3141.4(B)(4), (C)(14), and (F) and 3141.16(G), all relative to proprietary schools; to provide relative to license applications, procedures, and requirements; to provide relative to applications regarding school ownership; to provide relative to on-site visits and school monitoring by the Board of Regents; to provide relative to surety bonds that accompany certain applications; to provide relative to revocation of licenses and solicitor permit applications and renewals; to provide relative to the Proprietary School Students Protection Fund; to create a special student records and administration account within such fund; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

Under the rules, the above bill was referred to the Committee on Education.

HOUSE BILL NO. 181—

BY REPRESENTATIVE DURAND

AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 40:32 and 34(B)(1)(i), (j), (k), (l), (m), (n), (o) (p), (q), and (r) and to enact R.S. 40:34(B)(1)(a)(viii), (h)(v), and (s), relative to birth certificates; to define biological parents; to require that the married couple proven by DNA testing to be the biological parents of a child shall be listed as the mother and father on the birth certificate; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

Under the rules, the above bill was referred to the Committee on Health and Welfare.

HOUSE BILL NO. 182—

BY REPRESENTATIVE DURAND

AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 32:774(I) and 775(A)(7)(c), relative to used motor vehicle dealers; to exempt dealers from maintaining minimum required liability insurance coverage on certain all-terrain vehicles; to provide relative to denial, revocation, or suspension of licenses; and to provide for related matters.

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Read by title.

Under the rules, the above bill was referred to the Committee on Commerce.

HOUSE BILL NO. 183—

BY REPRESENTATIVES MCMAINS AND TRAVIS
AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 6:1083(4), (6), and (12), 1087(B)(introductory paragraph), (1), (10) and (11), (C)(1)(introductory paragraph) and (b) and (2) (introductory paragraph), (b), and (c), (D), and (E), 1088(B)(1) and (6), (E)(introductory paragraph), and (F)(1) and (2), 1089(A)(1), 1094(C)(1), 1095(A), 1096(A) and (B), and 1097, R.S. 9:3516(19) and 3552(C), and R.S. 51:1406(1) and to enact R.S. 6:1083(13) and (14), 1087(B)(12) and (C)(2)(d), 1088(F)(4), and 1092(F), R.S. 9:3560(A)(10) and 3572.2(B)(8), and R.S. 51:1910(1)(b)(x), relative to residential mortgage brokers and lenders; to provide for definitions; to provide for annual registration statements, fees, and exemptions; to provide for applications for licensure, issuance of licenses, and application and renewal fees; to provide for a name or location change; to provide for the commissioner's advisory opinions or interpretations by the commissioner of the office of financial institutions; to provide for reinstatement or renewal of licenses; to provide relative to the scope of the provisions; to provide relative to residential mortgage loans, fees, and charges; to provide for the effect of violations on the rights of parties; to provide for exemptions from licensure; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

Under the rules, the above bill was referred to the Committee on Commerce.

HOUSE BILL NO. 184—

BY REPRESENTATIVES BRUNEAU, LANCASTER, AND FUTRELL
AN ACT

To enact R.S. 18:1908, relative to the creation of certain election districts; to provide for the use of certain population data for districting, redistricting, remapping, or reapportionment purposes; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

Under the rules, the above bill was referred to the Committee on House and Governmental Affairs.

HOUSE BILL NO. 185—

BY REPRESENTATIVES LEBLANC, DEWITT, AND MCMAINS AND
SENATORS HAINKEL AND DARDENNE
AN ACT

To appropriate funds from certain sources to be allocated to designated agencies and designated purposes in specific amounts for the purpose of making supplemental appropriations for the funding of said agencies and purposes during the 1999-2000 Fiscal Year; to provide for reductions to certain appropriations; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

Under the rules, the above bill was referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

HOUSE BILL NO. 186—

BY REPRESENTATIVE CRANE
AN ACT

To enact R.S. 17:3351.3, relative to student fees at Louisiana State University and Agricultural and Mechanical College located at Baton Rouge; to provide for the powers, duties, and

responsibilities of the Board of Supervisors of Louisiana State University and Agricultural and Mechanical College; to grant authority to the board to assess certain student fees; to provide for fee amounts; to provide limitations; to provide exceptions; to provide for the use of fee proceeds; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

Under the rules, the above bill was referred to the Committee on Education.

HOUSE BILL NO. 187—

BY REPRESENTATIVE KENNARD
AN ACT

To enact R.S. 13:783(D)(6), relative to clerks of court; to authorize the clerk of court for East Baton Rouge Parish to purchase or lease one or more automobiles for the transportation of documents, equipment, and employees or for use for any purpose related to the operation of the office; to provide for insurance; to provide for disbursement of funds from the clerk's salary fund; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

Under the rules, the above bill was referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

HOUSE BILL NO. 188—

BY REPRESENTATIVE BROOME
AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 33:103(C)(1)(d) and to enact R.S. 33:106.2, relative to the West Baton Rouge Parish Planning Commission; to authorize an increase in the per diem allowance for members of the planning commission; to establish limits; to provide that the parish home rule charter controls in cases of conflict with the general law governing planning commissions; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

Under the rules, the above bill was referred to the Committee on Municipal, Parochial and Cultural Affairs.

HOUSE BILL NO. 189—

BY REPRESENTATIVES WINDHORST, BRUNEAU, AND DEVILLIER
AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 13:5303(6) and 5304(A), (B)(introductory paragraph), (1)(introductory paragraph), (2), (3)(a), (b), and (f), (4), (5), (6), (9)(d) and (e), (10)(introductory paragraph), (11)(a) and (c), (C)(1), (2)(a), and (3), (F), (I), (J)(introductory paragraph), (K), (L)(1), (M), and (N), relative to judicial district courts handling criminal matters; to clarify provisions relating to "drug treatment divisions"; to provide for procedures; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

Under the rules, the above bill was referred to the Committee on Administration of Criminal Justice.

HOUSE BILL NO. 190—

BY REPRESENTATIVE FAUCHEUX
AN ACT

To amend and reenact Part I of Chapter 2 of Title 18 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, to be comprised of R.S. 18:18 through 20, R.S. 18:23(A)(4) and (E)(1), 31, 44(B)(introductory paragraph) and (2), 45(A), 431.1(B), 552(A)(1), 574(A)(3), 1302(3), 1353, 1372, 1392(B), 1400.6(B) and (C), and 1402(C), R.S. 36:741(C), R.S. 42:62(6), and R.S. 44:4(23); to enact R.S.

36:744(R); and to repeal R.S. 36:4(A)(15) and 8(E)(2)(d), Chapter 16 of Title 36 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, comprised of R.S. 36:661 through 663, R.S. 39:291(C)(4)(c), and R.S. 49:191(11)(i) and 968(B)(7), relative to the commissioner of elections and the Department of Elections and Registration; to provide for the appointment in lieu of election of the commissioner of elections; to provide, pursuant to Article IV, Section 20 of the Constitution of Louisiana, for the merger and consolidation of the Department of Elections and Registration with the Department of State by abolishing the Department of Elections and Registration and transferring its powers, duties, functions, and responsibilities to the Department of State; to provide for the merger and consolidation of the office of commissioner of elections with the office of secretary of state by transferring the powers and duties of the commissioner of elections to the secretary of state and by providing that the secretary of state shall determine how such powers and duties shall be exercised and performed; to provide for a commissioner of elections appointed by the secretary of state with powers and duties as provided by the secretary of state; to remove certain references to the commissioner and to change certain references from the commissioner to the secretary of state and certain references to the Department of Elections and Registration to the Department of State; to provide for implementation; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

Motion

On motion of Rep. LeBlanc, the bill was returned to the calendar.

HOUSE BILL NO. 191—

BY REPRESENTATIVE FAUCHEUX

AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 36:761(B) and (C), to enact R.S. 36:764(C), 768(D) through (I), 769(C)(3) and (4), (G), and (K), and to repeal R.S. 36:4(A)(9) and Chapter 10 of Title 36 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, comprised of R.S. 36:451 through 459; to provide for the abolition of the Department of Revenue and the transfer of its powers, duties, functions, and responsibilities to the Department of the Treasury; to repeal laws creating and providing for the Department of Revenue; to create offices in the Department of the Treasury to carry out certain functions of the abolished department; to provide for transfer of unfinished business, employees, property, obligations, books, and records; to provide for references in laws and other documents; to otherwise provide for implementation of the transfer; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

Motion

On motion of Rep. LeBlanc, the bill was returned to the calendar.

HOUSE BILL NO. 192—

BY REPRESENTATIVE HOPKINS

A JOINT RESOLUTION

Proposing to amend Article VII, Section 10(F) of the Constitution of Louisiana, relative to the expenditure of state funds; to authorize the reduction of certain mandatory expenditures, appropriations, and allocations from the state general fund and dedicated funds under certain circumstances; to authorize the legislature to provide for implementation; to provide for submission of the proposed amendment to the electors; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

Under the rules, the above bill was referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

HOUSE BILL NO. 193—

BY REPRESENTATIVE HOPKINS

AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 39:75(C)(introductory paragraph), relative to the expenditure of state funds and budgetary procedure; to provide for procedures for reductions in certain appropriations; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

Under the rules, the above bill was referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

Motion

On motion of Rep. Travis, the Committee on Appropriations was discharged from further consideration of House Bill No. 129.

On motion of Rep. Travis, the bill was recommitted to the Committee on Commerce.

Motion

On motion of Rep. Travis, the Committee on Agriculture was discharged from further consideration of House Bill No. 132.

On motion of Rep. Travis, the bill was recommitted to the Committee on Commerce.

Suspension of the Rules

On motion of Rep. Travis, the rules were suspended in order to take up and consider Reports of Committees at this time.

Reports of Committees

The following reports of committees were received and read:

Report of the Committee on Commerce

March 20, 2000

To the Speaker and Members of the House of Representatives:

I am directed by your Committee on Commerce to submit the following report:

House Bill No. 60, by Hammett
Reported favorably. (16-0) (Regular)

House Bill No. 72, by DeWitt
Reported with amendments. (16-0) (Regular)

House Bill No. 95, by Montgomery
Reported favorably. (15-1) (Regular)

House Bill No. 104, by Travis
Reported favorably. (16-0) (Regular)

House Bill No. 105, by Travis
Reported with amendments. (15-0) (Regular)

House Bill No. 106, by Travis
Reported favorably. (15-0) (Regular)

House Bill No. 107, by Travis
Reported with amendments. (15-0) (Regular)

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House Bill No. 108, by Travis
Reported favorably. (14-0) (Regular)

House Bill No. 109, by Travis
Reported favorably. (14-0) (Regular)

JOHN D. TRAVIS
Chairman

Suspension of the Rules

On motion of Rep. Travis, the rules were suspended in order to take up House Bills contained in the committee report at this time.

House Bills on Second Reading Reported by Committee

The following House Bills and Joint Resolutions on second reading reported by committee were taken up and acted upon as follows:

HOUSE BILL NO. 60—
BY REPRESENTATIVES HAMMETT, DEWITT, AND MCMAINS AND
SENATORS ELLINGTON, DARDENNE, AND HAINKEL
AN ACT

To enact R.S. 37:2157(A)(8), relative to licensing of contractors; to exempt certain persons from the contractors' licensure provisions; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

Reported favorably by the Committee on Commerce.

On motion of Rep. Travis, the bill was ordered engrossed and passed to its third reading.

Under the rules, placed on the regular calendar.

HOUSE BILL NO. 72—
BY REPRESENTATIVE DEWITT AND SENATORS HAINKEL AND
DARDENNE
AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 51:911.28(A), relative to manufactured housing fees; to increase certain fees imposed by the fire marshal; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

Reported with amendments by the Committee on Commerce.

The committee amendments were read as follows:

HOUSE COMMITTEE AMENDMENTS

Amendments proposed by House Committee on Commerce to Original House Bill No. 72 by Representative DeWitt et al.

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, line 2, after "R.S. 51:911.28(A)" and before the comma "," insert "and (B)"

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 1, line 3, after "marshal;" and before "and" insert "to provide relative to the disposition of certain fees;"

AMENDMENT NO. 3

On page 1, line 6, after "R.S. 51:911.28(A)" and before "hereby" delete "is" and insert in lieu thereof "and (B) are"

AMENDMENT NO. 4

On page 1, at the end of line 11, change "\$200" to "\$300"

AMENDMENT NO. 5

On page 1, at the end of line 12, change "\$200" to "\$300"

AMENDMENT NO. 6

On page 1, at the end of line 14, change "\$200" to "\$150"

AMENDMENT NO. 7

On page 2, between lines 6 and 7, insert the following:

"B.(1) All fees collected under the provisions of this Part shall be paid into the state treasury on or before the twenty-fifth day of each month following their collection, and in accordance with Article VII, Section 9 of the Constitution of Louisiana shall be credited to the Bond Security and Redemption Fund.

(2) However, all fees collected pursuant to this Section shall be used exclusively for the operation of the manufactured housing section of the office of the state fire marshal, code enforcement and building safety."

On motion of Rep. Travis, the amendments were adopted.

On motion of Rep. Travis, the bill, as amended, was ordered engrossed and passed to its third reading.

Under the rules, placed on the regular calendar.

HOUSE BILL NO. 95—
BY REPRESENTATIVE MONTGOMERY
AN ACT

To enact Part V of Chapter 2 of Title 4 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, to be comprised of R.S. 4:275 through 278, relative to horse racing; to provide for the state's participation in the compact; to provide for the purposes of the compact; to provide for definitions; to provide for effectiveness; to provide relative to the eligibility of states to become a party to the compact; to provide for withdrawal from the compact; to provide for the establishment of an interstate compact committee; to provide for the powers and duties of the compact committee; to provide for voting requirements of compact committee members; to provide for the administration and management of the compact committee; to provide for immunity from liability; to provide for rights and responsibilities of party states; to provide for the construction and severability of the compact; to provide for the appointment of the Louisiana compact committee official; to provide for the cooperation of state departments, agencies, and officers; to provide for the preservation of the powers of the Louisiana State Racing Commission; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

Reported favorably by the Committee on Commerce.

On motion of Rep. Travis, the bill was ordered engrossed and passed to its third reading.

Under the rules, placed on the regular calendar.

HOUSE BILL NO. 104—

BY REPRESENTATIVE TRAVIS

AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 6:1235(A), (B), and (H), relative to loan amount restrictions; to set limits on amounts that may be loaned to any one borrower; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

Reported favorably by the Committee on Commerce.

On motion of Rep. Travis, the bill was ordered engrossed and passed to its third reading.

Under the rules, placed on the regular calendar.

HOUSE BILL NO. 105—

BY REPRESENTATIVE TRAVIS

AN ACT

To enact R.S. 6:318, relative to banks; to extend authority to banks to utilize letters of credit issued by the Federal Home Loan Bank; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

Reported with amendments by the Committee on Commerce.

The committee amendments were read as follows:

HOUSE COMMITTEE AMENDMENTS

Amendments proposed by House Committee on Commerce to Original House Bill No. 105 by Representative Travis

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, line 9, after "use", delete the remainder of the line and line 10 in its entirety and at the beginning of line 11, delete "and"

On motion of Rep. Travis, the amendments were adopted.

On motion of Rep. Travis, the bill, as amended, was ordered engrossed and passed to its third reading.

Under the rules, placed on the regular calendar.

HOUSE BILL NO. 106—

BY REPRESENTATIVE TRAVIS

AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 6:766.1(A), relative to savings and loans and other associations; to provide for disposition of funds in certain accounts upon the death of the depositor; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

Reported favorably by the Committee on Commerce.

On motion of Rep. Travis, the bill was ordered engrossed and passed to its third reading.

Under the rules, placed on the regular calendar.

HOUSE BILL NO. 107—

BY REPRESENTATIVE TRAVIS

AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 9:3410(B)(3) and to enact R.S. 12:1308.1, 1308.2, 1350.1, 1353(A)(9) and (E), and 1364(A)(4) and (B)(4), relative to filing of annual reports with the secretary of state; to require annual reports of limited liability companies; to provide for

filing fees for limited liability companies and to increase filing fees for registered foreign partnerships; to provide relative to failure to file annual reports, including limitations on doing business with the state and revocation of articles of incorporation or certificates of authority; to provide for reinstatement of articles of incorporation; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

Reported with amendments by the Committee on Commerce.

The committee amendments were read as follows:

HOUSE COMMITTEE AMENDMENTS

Amendments proposed by House Committee on Commerce to Original House Bill No. 107 by Representative Travis

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, line 9, after "articles of" and before "or" change "incorporation" to "organization"

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 1, line 10, after "articles of" and before the semicolon ";," change "incorporation" to "organization"

On motion of Rep. Travis, the amendments were adopted.

On motion of Rep. Travis, the bill, as amended, was ordered engrossed and passed to its third reading.

Under the rules, placed on the regular calendar.

HOUSE BILL NO. 108—

BY REPRESENTATIVE TRAVIS AND SENATOR HOLLIS

AN ACT

To enact R.S. 37:74.1, relative to the Board of Certified Public Accountants; to provide for the imposition and collection of fees; to provide for rules and regulations; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

Reported favorably by the Committee on Commerce.

On motion of Rep. Travis, the bill was ordered engrossed and passed to its third reading.

Under the rules, placed on the regular calendar.

HOUSE BILL NO. 109—

BY REPRESENTATIVE TRAVIS AND SENATOR HOLLIS

AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 12:1011(A), 1012, 1015(B), 1016(A), 1017(A) and (C), and 1024, to enact R.S. 12:1011(C), and to repeal R.S. 12:1014, 1015(C), 1021(B), and 1022, relative to professional accounting corporations; to provide for the Louisiana Accountancy Act; to provide for permits; to provide for ownership and voting requirements; to provide for stockholder requirements; to provide for stock certificates; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

Reported favorably by the Committee on Commerce.

On motion of Rep. Travis, the bill was ordered engrossed and passed to its third reading.

Under the rules, placed on the regular calendar.

Suspension of the Rules

On motion of Rep. LeBlanc, the rules were suspended in order to take up and consider Introduction of House Bills at this time.

Introduction of House Bills

The following named members introduced the following entitled House Bills and Joint Resolutions which were read the first time by their titles and placed upon the calendar for their second reading and, under a suspension of the rules, were referred to committee as follows:

HOUSE BILL NO. 194—

BY REPRESENTATIVE WINSTON

AN ACT

To enact R.S. 40:1501.5, relative to fire protection districts in St. Tammany Parish; to prohibit the levy and collection of certain ad valorem taxes by such districts in areas which have been annexed by municipalities; to provide for exceptions; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

Under the rules, the above bill was referred to the Committee on Municipal, Parochial and Cultural Affairs.

HOUSE BILL NO. 195—

BY REPRESENTATIVES DEWITT, BRUNEAU, AND LEBLANC AND SENATORS HAINKEL, LAMBERT, AND DARDENNE

AN ACT

To appropriate the sum of One Million Four Hundred Six Thousand Three Hundred Ninety-six and No/100 (\$1,406,396.00) Dollars, or so much thereof as may be necessary, out of the state general fund, to defray the expenses of the First Extraordinary Session of 2000 of the Louisiana Legislature, by providing funds for payment of mileage and per diem of members of the legislature, for payment of per diem, salaries, and/or expense allowances of legislative officers, employees, and staff, for payment of costs of printing and supplies and for other expenses of the legislature at this session and to provide for retention and use of such funds by the two houses; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

Under the rules, the above bill was referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

HOUSE BILL NO. 196—

BY REPRESENTATIVES DEWITT AND MCMAINS AND SENATORS HEITMEIER, HAINKEL, AND DARDENNE

AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 34:3474(A) and (B)(1)(introductory paragraph) and to enact R.S. 34:3474(B)(2)(h), relative to the Millennium Port Authority; to provide for the membership of the board of commissioners; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

Under the rules, the above bill was referred to the Committee on Transportation, Highways and Public Works.

HOUSE BILL NO. 197—

BY REPRESENTATIVES DEWITT AND MCMAINS AND SENATORS HAINKEL AND DARDENNE

AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 30:2484(10), relative to the oil spill contingency fund; to extend the time limit for the completion of

the environmental baseline inventory; to provide for disbursement of funds; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

Under the rules, the above bill was referred to the Committee on Environment.

HOUSE BILL NO. 198—

BY REPRESENTATIVES STRAIN AND POWELL

AN ACT

To enact Chapter 23 of Subtitle II of Title 30 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, to be comprised of R.S. 30:2567 through 2575, relative to the Louisiana Dairy Waste Management Program; to provide for legislative findings, to create the Louisiana Dairy Waste Management District as a political subdivision; to provide for the creation and operation of the program; to provide for the Louisiana Dairy Waste Management Commission; to provide for the issuance of bonds; to provide for the acceptance of appropriations and donations; to create the Louisiana Dairy Waste Management Fund; to provide for rules; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

Under the rules, the above bill was referred to the Committee on Agriculture.

HOUSE BILL NO. 199—

BY REPRESENTATIVES TOOMY AND DEWITT AND SENATORS HAINKEL AND DARDENNE

AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 26:359(A) through (F) and to enact R.S. 26:359(H) and 359.1, relative to the importation of wine by individuals into the state; to provide for the direct shipment of sparkling wine or still wine from out of state to a consumer in Louisiana; to prohibit the unlawful shipment of alcoholic beverages; to provide for the criteria required to ship out-of-state sparkling or still wine directly to a consumer in Louisiana; to provide for the number of bottles that may be shipped; to delete provisions requiring that a seller or shipper who is a manufacturer cannot be a party to certain agreements in order to ship directly into this state; to require an annual out-of-state shipper's license for authorization to directly sale and ship sparkling wine or still wine into the state; to provide for an exception for a person who is physically present on the premises of the manufacturer; to provide for civil fines for certain violations; to permit interstate shipment of certain wine by common carrier; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

Under the rules, the above bill was referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

HOUSE BILL NO. 200—

BY REPRESENTATIVE R. ALEXANDER

AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 37:1281, relative to fees assessed by the Board of Medical Examiners; to authorize the board to assess a fee to cover certain costs; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

Under the rules, the above bill was referred to the Committee on Health and Welfare.

HOUSE BILL NO. 201—

BY REPRESENTATIVE WELCH

AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 40:2116(E)(1) and to enact R.S. 40:2116(E)(4), relative to nursing homes; to authorize the secretary of the Department of Health and Hospitals to provide an extension of the completion deadline for nursing home beds which have been approved but are not yet enrolled in the Medicaid program; to provide for the conditions necessary for such extension; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

Under the rules, the above bill was referred to the Committee on Health and Welfare.

HOUSE BILL NO. 202—

BY REPRESENTATIVE HEBERT

AN ACT

To enact Chapter 54 of Title 46 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, comprised of R.S. 46:2691 through 2692, and to enact R.S. 36:259(II), relative to nursing homes; to create the Medicaid Nursing Home Trust Fund in the state treasury; to provide for the deposit of certain monies into the fund; to provide for allowable uses of monies in the fund; to create the Medicaid Nursing Home Trust Fund Advisory Council and to provide for it membership and duties; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

Under the rules, the above bill was referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

Suspension of the Rules

On motion of Rep. Travis, the rules were suspended to permit the Committee on Commerce to meet on Tuesday, March 21, 2000, and consider the following legislative instruments without giving the notice required by House Rule 14.24(A):

House Bill No. 129

Adjournment

On motion of Rep. Thompson, at 5:00 P.M., the House agreed to adjourn until Tuesday, March 21, 2000, at 2:00 P.M.

The Speaker Pro Tempore of the House declared the House adjourned until 2:00 P.M., Tuesday, March 21, 2000.

ALFRED W. SPEER

Clerk of the House

Committee Meeting Notices

Committee on Appropriations

Will meet at: 9:30 A.M. Date: March 21, 2000

Location: Committee Room 5

Remarks:

HB 42 LEBLANC – BUDGETARY CONTROLS: Basis for rewards and penalties under performance-based budgeting

HB 54 McMAINS – LIABILITY/PUBLIC: Establishes the Future Medical Care Fund for the payment of future medical care and related benefits

HB 76 DEWITT – FUNDS/FUNDING: Removes provision which suspends on June 30, 2000 the credit for the casino operator against its minimum payment obligation for payments to the casino support services contract and to the Compulsive and Problem Gaming Fund

HB 102 CROWE – PUBLIC CONTRACT/BIDS: Relative to the procurement of certain materials, supplies, and services by the state and local governments under the public bid law and the procurement code, provides for raising certain preferences to ten percent

HB 114 DEWITT – PROCUREMENT: Special contract procurement authorization for certain contracts by higher education institutions

HB 125 HILL – CIVIL/INDEMNIFICATION: Provides relative to indemnification of state employees

HB 135 DEWITT – FUNDS/FUNDING: Authorizes a reduction of all statutory mandates and dedications when funds are insufficient to meet all funding

HB 136 DEWITT – RISK MANAGEMENT: Defines Department of Health and Hospitals agencies for purposes of loss prevention audits

HB 143 McMAINS – INSURANCE/GROUP-STATE: Provides for limitations on duration of private contracts for group life insurance

HB 146 McMAINS – INSURANCE/GROUP: Removes the two-year limitation on future contracts for life insurance and health and accident insurance

HB 152 McMAINS – INSURANCE/GROUP-STATE: Relative to the State Employees Group Benefits Program health coverage, provides for rating classifications and premium rates of members

HB 160 DEWITT – FUNDS/FUNDING: (Constitutional Amendment) Authorizes a reduction of all constitutional and statutory mandates and dedications when funds are insufficient to meet all funding

HB 161 LEBLANC – COMMERCE: Makes certain technical changes to legislation that passed in 1999 R.S. (Act 721) that provided requirements for nonparticipating manufacturers under the Tobacco Master Settlement

HB 163 DEWITT – PUBLIC CONTRACTS: Defines the terms "written" and "in writing"

HB 173 CROWE – PUBLIC CONTRACT/BIDS: Provides a preference for Louisiana domiciled bidders relative to the procurement of materials, supplies, and operating services through the public bid law or the state purchasing code

HB 178 DANIEL – BUDGETARY CONTROLS: Procedures relative to avoidance of budget deficits

HB 179 DANIEL – BUDGETARY CONTROLS: (Constitutional Amendment) Authorizes reductions in appropriations in certain circumstances

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HB 185 LEBLANC – APPROPRIATIONS/SUPPLEML : Provides for supplemental appropriations for the 1999-2000 fiscal year

HB 192 HOPKINS – BUDGETARY CONTROLS: (Constitutional Amendment) Authorizes reductions in appropriations in certain circumstances

HB 193 HOPKINS – BUDGETARY CONTROLS: Procedures relative to avoidance of budget deficits

JERRY LUKE LEBLANC
Chairman

Committee on Civil Law and Procedure

Will meet at: 9:30 A.M. Date: March 21, 2000

Location: Committee Room 3

HB 14 MARTINY – NOTARIES: Authorizes ex officio notaries for sheriffs to execute certain affidavits related to tests for suspected drunken drivers

HB 84 McMAINS – CIVIL/MOTIONS: Authorizes duty judges to hear emergency and related matters

HB 94 McMAINS – CIVIL/INTERDICTION: Provides relative to interdiction and curatorship

HB 142 McMAINS – CIVIL/VENUE: Provides for proper venue in negligence actions against faculty or staff of the Louisiana State University Board of Supervisors, the Louisiana State Medical School, or the Louisiana State Health Sciences Center

F. CHARLES MCMAINS, JR.
Chairman

Committee on Commerce

Will meet at: 9:30 A.M. Date: March 21, 2000

Location: Committee Room 1

HB 85 DEWITT – RACING/HORSE: Provides for "account wagering" at certain race tracks

HB 100 ANSARDI – COMMERCIAL REGULATIONS: Exempts certain entities from currency exchange licensing requirements

HB 111 TRAVIS – FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS: Revises provisions of the "Louisiana Check-Cashing Law"

HB 128 DEWITT – FIRE PROTECT/FIRE MARSHA: Increases and creates fees charged by the state fire marshal for reviewing project plans

HB 134 DEWITT – FIRE PROTECTION: Creates local inspection agencies to inspect the installation and transport of manufactured homes

HB 154 MONTGOMERY – RACING/HORSE: Allows personnel licensed by the Louisiana State Racing Commission to enter wagering facilities at no charge

HB 157 PINAC – CREDIT/CONSUMER: Provides for motor vehicle and consumer credit transactions

HB 182 DURAND (TBA) – MTR VEHICLE/DEALERS: Exempts all-terrain vehicle dealers from maintaining liability insurance on such vehicles (**SUBJECT TO RULE SUSPENSION**)

HB 183 McMAINS (TBA) – MORTGAGES: Revises the Residential Mortgage Lending Act (**SUBJECT TO RULE SUSPENSION**)

JOHN TRAVIS
Chairman

Joint Committee on Transportation, Highways and Public Works

Will meet at: 10:00 A.M. Date: March 21, 2000

Location: Committee Room 2

Highway Priority Construction Selection Process Overview
- Dr. Kam Movassaghi, Secretary DOTD

TIMED Program Status Report
- Dr. Kam Movassaghi, Secretary DOTD

JUBA DIEZ
Co-Chairman

Committee on Ways and Means

Will meet at: 9:30 A.M. Date: March 21, 2000

Location: Committee Room 6

HB 36 HAMMETT – TAX/SALES-USE, STATE: Suspends certain exemptions from the state sales and use tax for the period July 1, 2000 through June 30, 2002

HB 118 HAMMETT – TAX/SALES & USE: Provide relative to the taxation of bona fide interstate commerce

HB 122 HAMMETT – REVENUE DEPARTMENT: Permits the department to send mail notices of determinations and assessments to taxpayer addresses based on any private or government source

HB 155 JOHNS – FUNDS/FUNDING: Creates the Calcasieu Parish Education Excellence Fund in the state treasury

HB 156 JOHNS – DISTRICTS/SPECIAL: Creates a special taxing district in Calcasieu Parish and provides for the powers, duties, and authorities of the district

HB 174 HAMMETT – PROPERTY/UNCLAIMED: Moves administration of the Uniform Unclaimed Property Act of 1997 from the Department of Revenue to the Department of the Treasury

BRYANT O. HAMMETT, JR.
Chairman

Weekly Committee Schedules

The following committees posted weekly committee schedules as follows:

Committee on Municipal, Parochial and Cultural Affairs

**Friday, March 24, 2000
Committee Room No. 6
9:00 A.M.**

SHARON WESTON BROOME
Chairman

INSTRUMENTS TO BE HEARD:

- HB 1 BRUNEAU — DISTRICTS/CRIME PREVENT:** Provides relative to the parcel fee collected by the Lakeview Crime Prevention District
- HB 3 CURTIS — DISTRICTS/ECONOMIC DEVEL:** Provides relative to the governing authority of the Alexandria Central Economic Development District
- HB 7 DEWITT — LOCAL OFFL/POLICE CHIEFS:** Provides for appointment of the police chief in Lecompte
- HB 8 DUPRE — PLANNING/ZONING:** Provides relative to the compensation of certain members of the Houma-Terrebonne Regional Planning Commission
- HB 9 FAUCHEUX — LOCAL FINANCE:** (Constitutional Amendment) Authorizes local governments to donate certain revenues for industrial development purposes
- HB 11 FRITH — DISTRICTS/HOSPITAL SERVC:** Provides relative to the board of commissioners of Hospital Service District No. 1 of Vermilion Parish
- HB 17 PINAC — MUNICIPAL/LAWRASON ACT:** Repeals provision authorizing the Crowley police chief to appoint, discipline, and discharge police personnel
- HB 18 SALTER — MUNICIPAL/LAWRASON ACT:** Authorizes the governing authority of the village of Edgefield to abolish the office of police chief or provide for filling the office by appointment and provides for obtaining law enforcement services
- HB 23 TRICHE — CIVIL SERVICE/MUNICIPAL :** Repeals local Acts creating and providing for a municipal employee civil service system in the city of Thibodaux
- HB 29 DUPRE — HOUSING/AUTHORITIES:** Abolishes the Houma Housing Authority and creates the Houma-Terrebonne Housing Authority
- HB 65 FAUCHEUX — LIBRARIES:** Authorizes the St. John the Baptist Parish Library Board of Control to pay per diem to its members
- HB 87 MURRAY — DISTRICTS/LAW ENFORCEMENT:** Provides relative to the Orleans Parish law enforcement district
- HB 110 McDONALD — TOURISM/COMMISSION:** Creates tourist commissions in the parishes of Morehouse and East Carroll
- HB 158 GUILLORY — DISTRICTS/ECONOMIC DEVEL:** Increases the membership of the North Lake Charles Economic Development District

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